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NEW YORK, MONDAY, JUNE 23, 1890

At 11.15 A. M. He Took Oath to Make True Answer to McCann.

Mrs. Croker Also in Attendance Before the Fassett Committee.

Grant's 10,000 Gift to Flossie Invested for Her in City Real Estate.

That Story of the \$180,000 Grant Boodle "Absolutely False."

McCann, Says Croker, Based It on Hubert O. Thompson \$80,000 Fund.

Such a Scene as the Tweed Court-House Has Never Before Known.

Bomething of grand importance was ev

dently going to happen.

The upper corridors of the Tweed Court House, that monument to a magnificent this and his gang of forty, were crowded with bug and little men at 9 o'clock this morning. and the lower corridors were the scene processions of men entering by each of the and flowing up the third stairway at the



eastern side of the rotunds, up to the corr dor before the door of the court chamber known as "Part IL " of the Supersor Court. jostled each other for the vantage ground

nearest the door.

Reporters came a little later, and by dint of much good nature and the exercise of in-finite tact managed to gain the front, where that square bit of new metal, yelept the policeman's shield, closely scrutinizing each one, and putting him through a cross-examination something like Inspector Byrnes's famous "third degree," finally opened the portals of the chamber and graciously per-

Then those in the rear of the multitude patide, spoing the light through the open oor at the bottom of the dark, pocket-like perider and imagining that their time had ome plunged and jostled each other again adl they discovered that the heavy hogany doors had saut again.

Court Officer Cornelius J. Kane, always obliging, was hustling about trying to dispose forty reporters agreeably to all with accommodations for only half that number, and as if there was no thought on his mind for the little six-year-old darling daughter.

sous vigil all night long.

Mrs. Jack, the matronly lanitress, seemed to have imbibed of the occasion, and she

too, was busy as busy could be.
So busy with the important business of difficulty that he was induced to spare "two nutes" to visit the next room and lister o a little speech by Tom Murny who, when Mr. Eans had joined
the gathering of newspaper men who had
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presented to the modest and conscientious
Cornelius a fine gold-headed chony cane
bearing the inscription, "'Presented by the
newspaper men to C. J. Hane, June St.
1898.

Mr. Eane didn't say a word beyond

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back to Part II., for ex-Chamberiain Brether-in-law, his arch enemy, boded no Richard Croker was to appear there soon to knock out or be gnocked out by ex-Chamberiain lvins and the Fassett Committee.

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of a thousand men to the Court-House.

RIGHT HUNDRED TURNED AWAY. There was every shade of political opinion n that crowd, and every man knew that not nore than one in five of the surging throng could get into the court-room where the ight hundred men must go away disap

It was nearly 11 o'clock when the doors were finally opened for good, but many a minent man had been recognized by the



officer standing guard at the door, and a crack had been made large enough to let in ex-Senator John Cullen, of Brooklyn, who ot a seat in the jury box.

Deputy-Coroner William T. Jenkins got n, too, on account of his relation of brotherin-law to Mr. Croker.

Col. Rogers, who got fame and a berth at
Ludlow Street Jail by his efforts to obtain the release of forty sane men confined in Ward's Island Insane Asylum, squeezed in, and Mr. McClure, of Turner, Lee & Mc

Clure, leaked through the same hole.

And when the doors were finally opened there surged in a crowd that filled every seat, and there was not even standing room one minute later.

The gathering was strictly a mixed assem-

blage, while among the disappointed crowd outside were many men who wield a tremenlous power in city politics SOME OF THE LUCKY ONES.

Ex-Assemblyman Sam Everett and Alder-man Duffy, of Mr. Croker's old Eighteenth District, and Alderman Rinckhoff formed

one little group.

Assemblyman Meyer F. Stein, who fathered
the Pawnbrokers' bill, and ex-Assemblyman John F. McIntyre, of the Twenty-second. chasted together, and Deputy County Clerk

Seuly flocked all by himself. Henry Winthrop Gray, the receiver of th North River Sugar Refining Company, and ex-Judge Henry F. Howland, who backed Johnny Ward and the Brotherhood of base ballists, looked on with about such an exression as they might wear at a dog-fight or bear-baiting.

Tammany Assemblyman John Connolly, of Mayor Grant's bailiwick, and ex-County Democracy President of the Board of Aldermen Adolph L. Sanger, squeezed in together, the first time they ever acted to-gether in a matter of politics.

Dick Langdon, who trained Congressman John Morrissey for his fight with Yankee Sullivan, put his muscular training to a test and got in a modest back seat.

Republican ex-Police Justice Flamme was interested enough in the business of the day to fight his way in, and County oom with Lawyer Thomas F. Rochfort, Steve O'Brien, brother of ex-Sheriff Jimnie O'Brien, and School Commissioner Moriarty seemed to consort in the gathering.

JUST BEFORE THE START. Tammany men prophesied in great glee that when Dick Croker took the stand the case against Hugh J. Grant and Tammany Hall would be smashed to such infinility that the firm of Ivins, Grace, Platt & Fassett would all go and drown

County Democracy men said that when stretcher, figuratively and politically speaking, and the Republicans procisimed that whatever Mr. Croker might testify the escutcheon of Hugh J. Grant and Tammany Hall had been so battered and bespattered no polish which the great, sick Sachem

by Grant, and his admission that no polish which the great, sick Sachem might have brought over from Wisebaden could ever restore it to the purity which the Great Party of Moral Ideas insisted upon having.

But everybody agreed that when Dick Croker had told all he knew, if he told it all, there would be a sensation.

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Mr. Groker sister, McCann had said that High J. Grant gave Croker \$25,000 in 1885, just after his election as Sheriff; that Mr. Croker raised a corruption fund of \$130,000 in 1885, in after his election as Sheriff; that Mr. Croker raised a corruption for the confirmation of Mayor Elson's appointment of Alderman High J. Grant as Commissioner of Fubile Works, and Mr. Croker wanted Grant had promised to place the confracts for cament furnished.

Mr. McCann also said that his distinguished brother-in-law had run up a highlif at the Mount St. Vincent restaurant, which he, McCann, was running, for swell dinners and wines furnished to Mr. Croker's political heelers, and that he, McCann, was running, for aveil dinners and wines furnished the Mr. Croker's political heelers, and that he, McCann said that he, McCann had that he, McCann had an heavy had the heavy from Sleuth Ivins and Investigator Fassett, and that he stried to coax Mrs. Croker to go too. Chairman Hendricks of the Committee, entered the chamber at 11 o'clock and there was a futor. There was another when old Donald Macon sugator has a futor when Srother-in-law McCann entered followed by Senatore Liepenard Slewart, Erickt said Aheare.

But there was a furor when Srother-in-law McCann entered followed by lady of

Another lady, beauteous in form and face, hing upon the physician's arm.

A woman so nearly like the first one that if for an instant the crowd was confused. Then there was half-suppressed applause. The lady on Dr. Beekman's arm, stately and beautiful, was Mrs. Croker, the slater of Mrs. McCann, who had entered with her husband's enemy.

Mrs. Croker was given a seat close to the investigators, and listened with deep attention to the testimony given by her husband. The mother of Richard Croker's six children appears to be not more than thirty years old. She was clad in a gown of black cilk, trimmed with jets. On her brown hair she wore a dainty black lace walking hat, and her hands were gloved with pearl colored kid.

TAKING THE STAND. TAKING THE STAND.

At 11.15 the proceedings began with Mr. Croker on the stand. Chief Inquisiter Ivins, in a miller's white coat and beautiful checked tronsers, took notes, and Mr. Hoardman, Tom Platt's other partner, isstend, while Stenographers Charles P. Blum and George H. Thornton "dug in," adding to the 1,600 pages or 10,000 folios of testimony taken before the Committee at fortner sessions.

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These 10,000 folios contained no less than 950,000 words, and the 1,000 type, written bages made a volume eleven inches thick on the stenographers little table.

Joe Choate, who volunteered some weeks ago in defense of Mayor Grant, and Bourke Cockran. the redoubtable, appeared as friends of the Committee, and Mr. Choate conducted the examination of Mr. Croker. EXAMINED BY CHOATS.

"Mr. Croker, "asked Connsellor Choate, how long have you resided in New York?" About forty years."
"What was the first office that you held in

"What was the first office that you held in the oity?"
"I was elected an Alderman and served one year. After that I was re-elected and held office for five months when I was legislated out of office by the charter of 1870."
"What other offices have you held:"
"I was then appointed a collector of taxes, and was in office a year. In 1874 I was elected Coroner, and was two terms in office. That brings it down to 1880.
"In 1883 I was appointed Pire Commissioner by Mayor Edson, and I held that office nutil I was appointed City Chamberlain by Mayor Grant."
"When was that?"
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"In April, 1889.
"You succeeded Mr. Ivins?"
"Yes, sly."
"What caused you to give up that office?"
I'resigned on account of ill health. My health had been breaking down for some time previous, and I was obliged to give up work of every kind and take rest."
"Where did you go."
"I went to Europe to seek health. I sailed from New York on Feb. 8."
"Where were you when you heard of the charges made against you by McCann in this investigation?"
"At Wiesbaden under a physician's care."
"What is the object of your roturn?"

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CAME TO ANSWER M'CANN. "To meet these charges."
Did you return at the advice of your physician ?"
No. I was advised yery strongly not to

Mr. Croker compiled with this request and told the whole story in a calm and straight-forward manner. 'I went to see Mr. McCann at his own

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'I went to see Mr. McCann at his own request.

'He wrote to me and said he wanted me at to meet a man named Adams. Tom Adams, I believe, whom he said he was thinking of a taking into business with him.

'He wanted me to find out what sort of a man Adams was, and what I thought of him. I had never seen Adams before, and have not seen him since.

'I went to the store and in the course of conversation with McCann he saked me what I thought of the rumors which were current at that time, that money had been raised to keep some usembers of the Board of Aldermen in office.

'It was rumored that \$80,000 had been raised to keep Alderman Pierson in office. I told him I did not know anything about it, although I had feard the rumors.

'Then McCann told me that he thought Adams knew all about it. Adams had told him that he had it straight from some of the Aldermen who were members of the Board at that time.

'Whon Adams came in I had a talk with him by conversing with him privately.

"After a while I broached the subject of the raising of money, and asked him what he knew about it."

"He didn't seem to know anything definitely, and then our conversation came to an end."

"I told McCann that I couldn't make

an end." I told McCaun that I couldn't make much out of Adams, but that I thought he was a very sharp, shrewd sort of a follow. That was the impression I got." A HOST OF DESIALS.

In regard to the further testimony of McCann, to the effect that Croker had cold him that he wanted Adams to take charge of the boodle money if he was perfectly reliable, but that he afterwards said that the Aldermen would not trust him, Mr. Croker said that this was a fabrication.

"Had you any other object in visiting Mr. McCann than to meet Adams at his, request, as you have described?"

"None whatever."

"Mr. Croker slae denied McCann's statement that he had opened the saichel and showed him the packages containing the money, and said that there was not a particle of truth in the story, and that he had never mot McCann afterwards and bold him that he could not employ Adams because the peche with whom he was negotiating would set frust "that fallow."

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Apparently Mr. Croker is in the best of health. His face is browned by out-of-door exercise, and he seems as robust as he ever did in the past.

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"I never owned a liquor store in Second avenue nor anywhire less."

I never owned nor was in any way interested in all quor store in Second avenue nor anywhire less."

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complimentary comments.

It was true, then, She were to be a witness, but against her husband and in support of McCann. RICHARD CROKER ENTERS. Another moment and the silent man from Mt. Morris Park entered, followed by Dr. Beekman, his family physician, and

(McCano had recommended Adams to you as a suitable person to hold the money. Is that so?"

No, sir; there's not a word of truth in it, replied Mr. Croker, firmir.

On page 11 I find that McCann said:

Mr. Croker said he wanted to reach two Aldermen, and asked me how he could reach them? What was the cause of that?

No, sir, McCann said Tom Adams knew Alderman Pearson and might be able to infinence him. He said Adams was a good man, and might influence two Republican Aldermen. We wanted to stop the move to retain Hubert O. Thompson as Commissioner of Public Works.

We? Who?

That's you, I suppose?" said Mr. Choate, smiling maliciously at Mr. Ivins.

No, sir, returned Mr. Croker, carnestly; I was only one man. We heard that there was \$80,000 up on it and we wanted to stop it.

McCann says you spoke of Grant; said he was your man, and that Mayor Edson would appoint Grant if you could get him countrmed. He said you came with a bag of \$180,000 and asked if he (McCann) was sure young Adams could be trusted. He replied that he would trust his life with him, you wanted to resche two Aldermen that you wanted to resche two Aldermen that you wanted to reach the would recommend the would recommend the McCann's was sure young Adams could be trusted. He replied that he would trust his life with him, you wanted to reach the would recommend the would recommend to the would recommend to see Adams, as there were two Aldermen that the Aldermen would recommend the would recommend the would recommend the would recommend to the would recommend the would recommen

wouldn't trust Adams. Is shatso?"

'No. str." replied Mr. Croker, thumbing the arm of his chair. "Nothing in it. Those Aldermen ought to be called here to testify if they say that. I told McCann that I wanted to know how those Aldermen stood. He may have told Adams. I saw Adams at McCann's store about the proposed business partnership between Adams brother and McCann, and incidentally I saked him how Pearson stood on the matter of the Public Works Commissioner."

Mr. Choate asked: "How did you hear of that \$80,000 that had been raised to keep Thompson in his place?"

'It was a runnor all around," returned Mr. Croker, waving his hand before him compressessively.

Well, you had a candidate y Tammany Hall usually has a candidate when there is any office going. Who was it?"

'Youn McCuaid."

'How did McQuaid's name come up?"

'I visited John Kully at his home. He was sick. He said McQuaid was a good man and he would like to see him appointed. We were carrying out Mr. Kelly's wishes as far as we could."

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'Mr. Kelly was sick, but was that the appointment of Grant would benefit you personally. That you knew a cement maker up the Hudson who could make cement cheaper than the men who had the contract at that time, and that if Grant was confirmed he could give the contract to your man and you would get ten cents a barrel on all the cement furnished for the aque-inct job."

There is not a word of truth in it, I never told him anything of the kind."

Now Abour Flossen's \$10,000. VERY EARNEST ABOUT THIS.

NOW ABOUT FLOSSIE'S \$10,000. "Now, Mr. Croker, I ask you to recall; do you remember Hugh J. Grant's standing for your little daughter at her baptism? Do you remember his giving her presents

for your little daughter at her baptism? Do you remember his giving her presents later?

Yes, sir: Mr. Grant gave her \$5,000 once and \$5,000 on a later occasion, in bills.

'Did you know he was going to give it?'

'No, sir, 'returned Mr. Croker in a tone of discust. 'No more than I know that you are going to give a present.

'Well I ain't, 'returned Mr. Choate, sardonically, and the audience laughed.

'Was there are y suggestion that you or your family had done or was expected to do anything for that money?'

No, sir.' ill mily and resentifully.

'Now, what became of that \$10,000?"

"No. I was advised very strongly not to day." I was a divised yeary strongly not to day." In all the street of the first code now settled down to the real business of the day, and began by saying that he proposed to go through the testimony gives not really the done or was a specied to do nything for that money? "Now, what became of that \$10,000" Now, what became of that \$10,000" Now, what became of the string he was craned and every ear set string in five or a pleasurable thing he was commended in his seat and began as another with the string he was every expectation had been taken to prevent it.

Every neck was craned and every ear was stringed in the seat and began as another with resided to buy other in the Heart of Aldermen to secure the appointment of Hugh J. Grant as Commissioner of Public Works.

Mr. Choate read over all of McCann's testimony on this point, and then asked the winess what he had is asy about it.

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"It is absolutely untrue and false in every particular," You did go to McCann's store about that time," "You did go to McCann's store about that time," "You did go to make the strong of the conveyed the property for soil, good "You did go to make the strong of the conveyed the property for soil, good "You did go to mcarry a satchel or any other "Possition" of the property of the conveyed the property of the conveyed the property for soil, good "You did go to mcarry a satchel or smy other "You did go to mcarry a satchel or smy other "You did go to mcarry a satchel or smy other "You did go to mcarry a satchel or smy other "You did go to mcarry a satchel or smy other "You did go to mcarry a satchel or smy other "You did go to mcarry a satchel or smy other "You did go to mcarry a satchel or smy other "You did go to mcarry a satchel or smy other "You did go to mcarry a satchel or smy other "You did go to mcarry a satchel or smy other "You did go to mcarry a satchel or smy other "You did go to mcarry a satchel or smy other "You did go to mcarry as a satchel or smy other "You did go to m

receptacle containing money? "

"Hed you or the organization of Tammany Hall raised the sum of \$180,000 or any other sum to secure the confirmation of Mr. Grant or any ous else as the Commissioner of Fublic Works."

"No, sir!" most emphatically.

"Had Mr. Grant contributed \$80,000 to such a fund as McCann has testified, and did you make any such statement to McCann!"

"No, sir, not to my knowledge."

"Please state, Mr. Oroker, what your object was in visiting Mr. McCann's store on that occasion!"

Mr. Croker complied with this request and told the whole story in a caim and straightforward manner.

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Keating did not put up a dollar of the purchase money.

What was your relation to the Mount St. Vincent restaurant lease?" Mr. Choase asked.

"I held no office and was looking for something to do when the building was being erected. Through John Kelly! got the lease for Mr. Conkin, with whom I had agreed that he was to furnish the money to outfit the restaurant and I was to get the lease and we were to share as partners.

"Afterwards! got office, and my brotherin-law, Mr. McCann, was out of business. Mr. Conkin was diseatisfied, and I told him that I thought McCann would buy him out. If he would sell would turn my interest over to McCann, and I did without a dollar—without a cent!"

APPLAUSE FROM THE AUDIENCE. There was more appliance in the audience at this, and then Mr. Croker denied that he owed McCann \$3,000 at this time, and said that McCann statement to his creditors on his assignment, that Croker owed him \$900, was true.

"McCann says that when you went to Europe last Spring, you left Mrs. Croker in his charge, and without money. Is that so?"

"No, sir," returned Mr. Croker, petulantly. lantly.

HIS WIFE PROVIDED FOR. 6 "When I left I left Mrs. Croker amply provided for within my means. She had 8300 a mouth, about half our family in-come. I took the other half. She had the come. I took the other hall. She had the bank-books." I think that is all, " said Joe Choate, blandly, as he scated himself. IVING CROSS-BEAMINES. Chief Inquisitor Ivins arose slowly. He was white about the lips when he began, an

years.
I was a machinist up to about 1800 and

Then Mr. Ivins declared that he proposed to show that Mr. Croker had deliberately taken an oath, while he was a member of that Board, which directly violated his oath of office.
With that he shoved a paper in front of Mr. Croker's face and asked him if he recognized his signature upon it.
Yes, that's my signature, "replied the witness quietly as he leaned back in his chair.
A gleam of triumph shot from Mr. Ivins's

A gleam of triumph shot from Mr. Ivins's eyes.

The paper was the old affidavit signed by members of the 1870 Board who were opposed to the Tweed ring, that they would vote to confirm no appointments made by the Mayor without first consulting Harry Genet, (i. W. Mcl.ean, George H. Purser and others named in the defiument.

"How do you reconcile this with your named in the defirment.

"How do you reconcile this with your oath of office?" demanded Mr. Ivins.

"I never considered my signature to that document as a violation of my oath of office, replied Mr. Croker calmly.

"You didn't?" exclaimed Mr. Ivins raising his voice to an ear-snitting pitch.

No, sir, and if you will allow me to explain.

Three men were blown into eternity in the give voices to an ear-suitting pitch.

To distint, "coker went on to say that it was a constraint supposed at that time that Tweed to be controlled the Board of Aldermen, while the Young Demogracy claimed that they had a majority. He was at that time with the Young Demogracy claimed that they had a majority. He was at that time with the Young Demogracy and opposed to Tweed.

Mr. Croker admitted that he afterwards obtained an appointment in the Comparison of the city departments.

Mr. Vine asked Mr. Croker if he would have signed the same sort of a paper if there hadn't been any Tweed.

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NEWS BY CABLE.

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IDUNIAN CABLE BEWS SPECIAL I LONDON, June 23, -The Heligolander whose wishes nobody takes the trouble t sak, are greatly incensed over the propose cession to Garmany.

They are Frieslanders, they say, and no Teutons. It is the intention of the Kaiser to make the entire island an impregnable fortress at of smoke a cost of \$10,000,000.

Strike Impulse. POUNDAP CABLE NEWS SPECIAL I

LONDON. June 23.—The firemen of the netropolis are uniting with the police in de nanding shorter hours and more pay, and i be without either firemen or policemen. Capt. Shaw, in a long conference, to-day aid the grisvances of the firemen before the County Council.

The Czar Receives a Letter Full of Violent Threats. (BY CABLE TO THE PHRIS NAME ASSOCIATION.) Sr. Perenanuno, June 23. - A letter signed by "The Committee to Enfranchise the

It contains the most violent threats against is life, and intimates that every preparation has been made to accomplish his death. The secret police are busily following a every possible clue to the senders, and hav already made several arrests.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN Writes a chapter of The Greatest Composite Novel, to Begin in "The Evening World" next Monday, June

Baseball To-Day. Regularly scheduled games: Playins' Luadin. You York at Buffalo. 'thiladelp's at Pittsburg. toxon at Classiand. Scoulpy at Chicago. Navional LEAGUE. New York at Chicago. Pittsburg at Philadelp Brooking at Cincurand Boston at Cincurant AMURICAN ARSOCIATI'M ATLANTIC ARSOCIATION Ounselle at Toledo.

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Planes I did is myself." (Applanes) PANN CROKER VIOLATED NIS OATH. BLOWN 300 FEET. FOUND THEIR MISSING BOY

Tugboat Crewe Explodes at Her Pier and Kills Three Men.

One Man's Body Found on a Ship Eighteen Rods Away.

Cause of the Disaster Probably Neglected Boiler.

Three men were blown into eternity in the twinkling of an eye this morning by an ex-

"it's from Josie. He's in Philadelphia. Read it. I can't." ever syllable contained in that welcome message, while tears of joy and thankful-

A Report That Cholera Has Ap-

The financial loss is \$6,500 on the tug, and there is no insurance.

It cannot be stated definitely how the disaster happened. Probably the boiler was not carefully watched and the fires in the engine room were not properly banked last night.

The greatest excitement prevailed in South Brooklyn, and the streets in the vicinity were choked with a restless, fearful throng of curiosity seekers.

The missing watchman was reported to have been seen late this forenoon, but his name was not learned.

Capt. Squires was aleeping in the pilothouse when the explosion occurred. Hogsing the cook, was lying in a bunk in the cabin.

The fireman was at work, getting his fire ready for the day's week. The explosion came suddenly and the tug was tern apart.

Why did he go away. Mr. Spingara religious of the happy father and thother. Their son was alive and was alive and they we happy.

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He was fast asleep when the explosion happened until he was fished out of the

He is badly bruised about the legs. Engineer James Coghlan escaped the ex-plosion and almost certain death by but a few minutes.

He was coming down Van Brunt street and was within a block and a half of the dock, when he heard a loud report and saw a puff

He knew that a serious accident had occurred and hastened to the scene.

Joseph O'Brien, the junior member of the firm which owned the tug, was on the scene

at 5 o'clock this morning.

He said that the tag was built about ten years ago and purchased by himself and his brothers a year ago. It was valued at about The boat was formerly used by the Boston

Towing Company, of 77 South street.

Some time ago she was cruising about the Bay, and when off the Battery ran down a bark.

the O'Briens, the tug was called the John Young O'Brien says that the watchman of

the scow is not missing. He claims to have seen him this morning and that the man is There is no doubt, he says, that the firenan is dead. He was in the fire-room at the ime, and there was no way in which he ould have escaped.

Chicago Over the Million, Too. CHICAGO, June 23. The chief census enumerator to-day estimated the population of Chicago to be over one million. Local News in Brief.

WJames O. Finherty, dealer in ladies' cloaks and sults at 52 Mercer street, assigned to day without preferences. Argunout for the writ of habeas corpus to prevent Munderer Smiler's romoval to king Sing was to-day postponed until Thursday. was to-may postponed unin I httrains.
The body of Patrick Sweepy, who was drowned off yier at North hiver Jine 1s, was found early this morning and taken to the Morgue.
Michael Hayes, of 882 Tenth avenue, foil from another than the second of the second way at 10 o'clock to-day and fractured his brill was at 10 o'clock to-day and fractured his bill. Denote Dessors was beid at the Tombs Felice ourt this morning charged with throwing harles Patro downstairs, causing serious in-Autonia Orrendo, of 141 Mulberry street was hald at the Tomps Court this meening charged with desgring her two children, whose ages range from three to eleven years. Balesman Heary Vincent confessed in Fract Market Court to-day that he had embended 300 from his embloyer. Twa Merchant 7a hes a Hamilton, 43 New street, and was remanded. Thomas Jenney, of 530 East Eleventh street, (a) from a scaling on \$1. Andrewy Church, With avenue and Olas Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, this morning, and was instreed termily, besides frecturing his wrist.

Josie Spingarn Writes to His Parents from Philadelphia.

He Gives No Explanation of His Mysterious Disappearance.

The marry, round-faced postman whose route includes the house of Mr. Elias Spin-garn, 118 East Fifty-eighth street, brought boundless joy to that household on his first trip this morning. He nonchalantly flipped a letter in his hand as he rang the bell. It was a missive from one whose parents

J. E. SPINGARN

thirteen days avo.

to them-fifteen-year-old Joel E. Spingarn

who left his father's house in a boyish huff

The envelope was addressed to his mother.

The black-eyed domestic handed the letter to Mrs. Spingara. Then there was a scene.

The loving mother knew the handwriting.

"Oh ! Sam," she cried to her busband.

Read at ! The delighted father devoured

sess rolled down the cheeks of the happy

he loving arms of his mother are wasses the mbrace him when he once again crosses threshold of 118 East Fifty-eighth street.

SHE WAS HIS TRUE LOVE

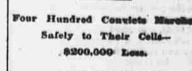
Lucien Duveau's Romance Ends Hap plly at the Barge Office.

The little God of Love was again in at-

tendance at the Barge Office this morning.
Twenty years ago there arrived in Raoul

France, at young man named Lucien Du-

and almost begun to fear was lest entirely Workshop Wing Fired in Three



of the prison, and an alarm was prompti signalled to the Brooklyn Fire Department A second and third alarm quickly fol lowed, and every available appe despatched to the spot, at the corner of Nostrand avenue and the Boulevard.

The efforts of the firemen were well directed, however, and the confingration was confined to the workshop wing, which was completely gutted.

were women. Two hundred other convicts were in the cells in the main prison. Great excitement prevailed, but a panie was averted by Warden Hayes, who enickly murchalled his force of 100 keepers, and the prisoners were marched back to their dells and locked up, with no disturbance or

The fire raged for an hour, when it was gotten under control.

The police had been notified, and a dotter of seventy-five men from the Twelfte and

Thirteenth precisets, under command of Caps. Foulk were sout to the scene to preserve order. "Not a word, "said the doting mother.

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Mrs. Spingarn couldn't tell The Evening
World man whether her husband would
bring Josie back or not.
She had no complaints to make against the
lad. He was forgiven quickly enough, and
the loving arms of his mother are waiting to A great crowd had gathered in the streets, and among the 500 employees of the Nostrand Avenue Kailway Company, whose

It is estimated that the loss to property will foot up about \$200,000. The amount f insurance is not yet ascertained. The Kings County Penitentiary occur the entire block bounded by Rogers and Nostrand avenue and the Bonlevard, in the

Twenty-fourth Ward, Brooklyn. The prison proper is a three story sto structure with a gable roof. The first floor is occupied by keepers and the three up floors by prisoners.

feet long, and up to the passage of the Comrict Labor law, was used as a laundry. It was about twenty yards from the person

Fatally Hurt. PERCIAL TO THE RVENING WORLD

leiphia, due at Tuckertown at 0, 55, derailed Engineer S. Heller was talled, and G. Heller, the fireman, brother to the engineer, was badly scalded and is not expected to

injured.

The parlor-car Irene was smashed, two baggage-cars, the mail and express car, left the track, and of the baggage-car bas spilnters are left.

DYING FROM THE BLOW. A Slav in Paterson Fatally Struck

INPECTAL TO THE SYMPTED WORLD.) Passaic, N. J., June 28.—Two Slaves named Paul Sumski and Paul Palneventy marrelled over a woman at their boardings Sunski crushed in Palustarky's shull with.

with being an accessury to the crime, are

Fair, Southerly Winds. WARRINGTON, Ju-28. - Weather Inch For Bastern Moss Yorks Fite, sate Liquitry lampers

The weather day, as indicated by Blakely's tele-thermometer:



Convicts Attempt to Burn the Kings County Penitentiary.

PRICE ONE CENT.

Places and Entirely Buttod.

What appears to have been a description and fiendish attempt to destroy life and property took place in the Crow Hill, Kings county, Penitentiary this forencon, At 11 o'clock fire was discovered in three places in the top floor of the workshop wing

The fire had gained great hondwar when the engines arrived, and it looked as if the whole structure was domad.

There were employed in the workshops at the time 405 prisoners, of whom twenty

Why did he go away. Mrs. Spingarn ? queried the reporter.

'He didn't say, 'was the reply,
'Did he not offer any excuses for remaining away so long with notifying his par

stables, of wood, are opposite the pristiero was almost a panie before is learned that the fire was under control.

vean, the son of wealthy parents. Lucien was twenty-five when he fell desperately in love with Mile. Viola Bougrand, the village bells. The prisoners are employed in the manufacture of cane-bottomed chairs, pent and leather mail-bags,

> FATAL WRECK ON THE READING. An Engineer Killed and His Brother

READING DEPOT. Pa., June 28.-A facut wreck has occurred on the Philadelphia and Reading road. The express from Pottsville to Phille-

George Hamilton, baggage-master, was seriously hurt, and two passengers slightly

The man is dying. Sumski and his brother, who is charged

Col. Fellows Taken Suddenly III. District Attorney John E. Fellows was taken suddenly ill this morning and had to



a full account of Wall street affairs will be

love with Mile. Viola Bougrand, the village belle.

A storm arose between the lovers shortly before the nuptial day. He want to Havre and thence to this country, and finally married an estimable freuchwoman. He prospered in business and became webto-do. Two years ago his wife died and left him alone and childless.

A short time ago be learned that Viola had never married, but had remained true to her love for Lucies.

He opened a correspondence with Viola, and this morning at the barse Office a middle-agod Freichman, with a silk handler-chief wound around his arm for identification, stood waiting for the passenger from the steamer La Normandie to be registered. Lucien and Viola met and left to have the old engagement consummated by a clergy-man. Big Bowery Clothiers Fail. Abraham Piser and Jacob Harris, com by a misplaced switch. posing the firm of Piser & Harris, dealers in dry goods, ciothing, furniture, etc., at 132 Bowery and 273; Third avenue, as-signed to-day to Charles Lyon without preferences. The Quotations.